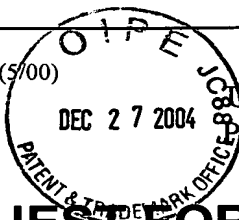


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TOTAL CLAIMS	11	20	11	0		0.00
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